

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as indicated. A complete set of the claims is included below, reflecting added subject matter (*underlining*) and deleted subject matter (*strikethrough*), as well as the current status of each claim. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of communicating information comprising the steps of:
 - a) communicating a first information from a first electronic device to a second electronic device using a wireless communication mechanism, said first information having an information category type;
 - b) said second electronic device receiving said first information;
 - c) in response to step b), said second electronic device automatically displaying a message indicating at least one user selection, said user selection selected from the group consisting of accept and automatic response, accept and no response, and reject;
and
 - d) responsive to a particular user selection, said second electronic device automatically communicating second information to said first electronic device wherein said second information is of said information category type.
2. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein .said wireless communication mechanism is infrared communication.
3. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein said wireless communication mechanism is substantially compatible with a Bluetooth communication protocol.
4. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein said first and said second electronic devices are both palm-sized computer systems.

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5. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein said information category type is an electronic business card.
6. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein said information category type is calendar information.
7. (Original) A method as described in Claim 1 wherein said information is data base files.
8. (Currently Amended) A method of communicating information comprising the steps of:
 - a) communicating a first electronic business card from a first electronic device to a second electronic device using a wireless communication mechanism;
 - b) said second electronic device receiving said first electronic business card;
 - c) in response to step b), said second electronic device automatically displaying a message indicating at least one user selection, said user selection selected from the group consisting of accept and automatic response, accept and no response, and reject;
and
 - d) responsive to a particular user selection, said second electronic device storing said first electronic business card and automatically communicating a second electronic business card to said first electronic device.
9. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said communication mechanism is infrared communication.
10. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said communication mechanism is substantially compatible with a Bluetooth communication protocol.

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11. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said first and said second electronic devices are both palm-sized computer systems.
12. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said first electronic business card represents an owner of said first electronic device and wherein said second electronic business card represents an owner of said second electronic device.
13. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein step c) comprises the step of. said second electronic device allowing a user to select between: 1) accepting said first electronic business card; 2) rejecting said first electronic business card; and 3) accepting said first electronic business card and automatically transmitting said second electronic business card.
14. (Currently Amended) A first portable electronic device comprising:
 - a processor coupled to a bus;
 - a wireless transceiver coupled to said bus;
 - a display screen coupled to said bus; and
 - a memory coupled to said bus and comprising instructions that implement a method of communicating information comprising the steps of:
 - a) receiving a first electronic business card from a second portable electronic device, said first electronic business card transmitted using a wireless communication mechanism and received by said wireless transceiver;
 - b) in response to step a), said first portable electronic device automatically displaying a message indicating at least one user selection, said user selection selected from the group consisting of accept and automatic response, accept and no response, and reject; and
 - c) responsive to a particular user selection, said first portable electronic device storing said first electronic business card

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15. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein said wireless communication mechanism is infrared communication.

16. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein said wireless communication mechanism is substantially compatible with a Bluetooth communication protocol.

17. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein said first portable electronic device is a palm-sized computer system.

18. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein said first electronic business card represents an owner of said second portable electronic device and wherein said second electronic business card represents an owner of said first portable electronic device.

19. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein step b) of said method comprises the step of said first portable electronic device allowing a user to select between: 1) accepting said first electronic business card; 2) rejecting said first electronic business card; and 3) accepting said first electronic business card .and automatically transmitting said second electronic business card.

20. (Original) A first portable electronic device as described in Claim 14 wherein said display screen is a liquid crystal display screen.